

When, Governor Long?



STATE OF LOUISIANA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT BAYON ROUGE September 19, 1956

Reverend Lee Roy E. Kless, Chairman Union of Protestant Ministers East Jefferson Parish 11008 Jefferson Highway New Orleans 23, Louisiana

My Dear Reverend Kless:

It is good to have your letter and to know of your interest. As Governor of this State, I have pledged myself to uphold its laws and you can count on me to do so to the best of my ability as long as I serve in my capacity.

You probably will recall that in my platform I took cognizance of the measure of law enforcement and that I pledged myself to use corrective measures should there be a break-down in law enforcement at the local level. I stated further that I was a firm believer in real law enforcement at the local level.

I want you to feel free at all times to let me have the benefit of your thinking and your recommendations. They are most welcome.

With high esteem and everlasting regards for you,

I remain

Most sincerely yours, Earl K. Long

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THIS IS A reproduction of a letter written by Gov. Earl K. Long Sept. 19 to the Union of Protestant Ministers of East Jefferson parish in reply to their demand for enforcement of laws against gambling in Jefferson parish.

Haircuts Are Going Up to \$1.50

It's going to cost you 25 cents more to get your hair cut in metropolitan New Orleans beginning Oct. 1. Barbers in the New Orleans area will boost the haircut price \$1.50 effective that day, according to information received from various barbers in the city.

City, Levee Board Urge Breakwater

City officials and the Orleans levee board today joined forces in supporting construction of a breakwater to protect the lakefront from the Industrial canal to the New Basin canal. Levee board president Louis J. Roussel said he would seek federal funds to help build a breakwater to prevent flooding such as occurred yesterday along the lakefront and in Gentilly.

As those areas were submerged under water ranging in depth from a few inches to three or four feet, Roussel stressed the need for a breakwater, 1200 feet from the sea wall, to keep wind-blown waters from inundating the section bounded by London, the Industrial canal, Fillmore and Hibernia.

ANTI-GAMBLING RALLY

Civic and religious groups of Jefferson parish have called a citizens mass meeting to organize a fight against officially condoned gambling in the parish.

The time: 8 P. M. THURSDAY. The place: METAIRIE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL.

Opponents of good government are reported telephoning Jefferson residents and urging them to attend the meeting and boo advocates of law enforcement.

Civic-minded citizens should attend the meeting and help restore law enforcement.

Today's Chuckle

"I keep wondering," said the girl, "why they give girls' names to hurricanes."

Replied the boy friend: "Well, they're not him-mi-canes, are they?"

Ailing Nixon Cancels Speech In Oklahoma

EN ROUTE WITH NIXON (INS) — Vice-President Richard M. Nixon, battling virus influenza and laryngitis, cancelled a speech at Oklahoma City today but will make an appearance there.

Nixon told newsmen accompanying him on his whirlwind campaign trip that he probably will speak briefly before the noon-time gathering. "Exhausted Campaigner" Dr. Malcolm Todd, his physician, termed the vice-president an "exhausted campaigner" and urged his patient not to say anything at all before the Oklahoma City audience.

However, Nixon said he is feeling "a little better" and probably will make a few remarks anyway. Nixon's voice is extremely hoarse. He told newsmen he is suffering from virus influenza in the throat and upper chest and laryngitis. The vice-president was barely

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Ike 'Captive' of GOP, Adlai Declares Here

Jeff DA Prepares War on Gambling

Notes Rise In Gaming Under Coci

District Attorney Frank Langridge prepared today to move against gambling in Jefferson parish as pressure against Sheriff William S. Coci's hands-off policy mounted from other sources.

Langridge, who said there had been an increase in Jefferson gambling since Coci took office, invited complaints from citizens and pledged vigorous action.

At the same time there were these developments:

1. The Union of Protestant Ministers of East Jefferson parish revealed that Gov. Earl K. Long pledged last week to "use corrective measures should there be a breakdown in law enforcement at the local level."

2. The executive board of Greater New Orleans Federation of Churches was scheduled to meet today at Holsum cafeteria to consider a strongly worded resolution demanding action against gambling.

3. Dr. M. C. Hunter, chairman of the Air-Line Council of Civic Organization, and seven other civic and church leaders were to meet with Langridge at 3:30 p. m. to seek his aid against the rise of gambling and prostitution in Jefferson.

Will Investigate Langridge said that he will investigate complaints of gambling filed with his office by subpoenaing witnesses and conducting hearings.

He said though gambling has been on the increase he has not received "one complaint—and I might add that I am surprised."

Complainants need only to furnish him "some sort of evidence" on which he can base subpoenas for witnesses, Langridge said.

"It is my duty to investigate," he said when asked if he would turn the complaints over to Sheriff Coci for action.

More Than Clancy Had Langridge said from all he has heard and read there "must be more gambling now than when (Sheriff) Frank Clancy left office."

Langridge said he believed that "Coci and I should co-operate in law enforcement."

In answer to a question, the district attorney said Coci had

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Plaquemines Storm Damage \$3 Million

CARS WADE THROUGH



WATER STILL COVERED the Chef Menteur hwy. near the intersection of Hwy. 11 today, but traffic was resumed to and from the Mississippi Gulf coast. Cars and trucks barged through at a snail's pace.

By ALEX VUILLEMOT (New Orleans States Staff Writer) POINTE A LA HACHE

—Plaquemines parish Assessor Dewey Cognovich estimated today that damage of between \$3 and \$4 million was inflicted on this town by Hurricane Flossy.

Many of the 600 persons who found shelter in the Plaquemines courthouse still remained there today because their homes either are submerged or destroyed.

Some began drifting back to their homes to begin salvage and repairs.

Debris two feet deep covered Point a la Hache.

Winds up to 100 miles per hour spilled Gulf of Mexico water over the levees on the Gulf, on east side of the community. Water swept in on crests as high as 10 feet.

The storm raked a 13-mile area from Davant all the way to Bohemia, five miles south of Point a la Hache. Sheriff Chester Wooten reported no serious injuries or loss of life, but he sent deputies out to wade through wreckage in search of any victims.

The main highway linking the community to New Orleans is impassable. Timber, shattered trees, bent and battered butane gas tanks and water cisterns littered the roadway.

Loss of the water system has created a crisis. Only access to the settlement is by ferry from the west bank.

Water Shipped In Deputies today bottled water on the west bank and ferried it over to the east side for relay to the courthouse.

Without water, lights and adequate gas, Point a la Hache is isolated, except for what contact can be made by trucks and amphibious vehicles.

Telephone service has been off since Sunday night.

Old-timers say the tide at the peak of hurricane Flossy was the highest since 1915, when a storm then kicked it up to 12 feet.

They say it rose to at least 10 1/2 feet this time.

Most of the refugees are from Wills Poles, Carlisle, Devant, Phoenix and Behemia, all on the east bank.

West Bank Dry The west bank of the river appears high and dry and intact.

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Crowd Hears Candidate At City Hall

Adlai E. Stevenson from the steps of City Hall today rapped President Eisenhower as a captive of the Republican party that has "always had to be dragged into the future backwards."

Swinging through New Orleans on his first invasion of the Deep South since his nomination, the Democratic presidential candidate charged that the GOP has "stubbornly opposed almost every forward-looking step for the benefit of all our people."

Planked by party bigwigs, Stevenson told an audience gathered in front of City Hall:

"It used to be said that Mr. Eisenhower would reshape the Republican party."

Predicts Own Election But, he added, "you cannot help but wonder today who has reshaped whom."

Stevenson confidently predicted that Louisiana will have "plenty of company" to elect



ADLAI STEVENSON

him president in the November general election.

Noting that in 1952, "Louisiana was one of a lonely band of states that stayed with the Democratic party," the former Illinois governor said:

"This year, I venture to predict, you will have plenty of company—and when I say plenty, I mean more than enough to elect a president."

Opposed by Kennon Stevenson's address marked his first visit here since he faced Eisenhower and lost to him in the 1952 campaign.

In that year, opposed by the then Gov. Robert F. Kennon, Stevenson carried the state by only 38,000 votes.

Four Southern states, Texas, Florida, Tennessee and Virginia, supported the President.

Introduced by US Rep. Hale Boggs of New Orleans, vice-chairman of the Democratic national committee, Stevenson said the President "accused the Democrats of 'walking into the past backwards.'"

He added: "I find this a strange criticism."

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Grand Isle Digs Out of Debris

(Frank McArdle, reporter for The Times-Picayune, who was accompanied to Grand Isle Sunday by photographer Pierre Hughes, was an eyewitness to hurricane Flossy which struck the resort island. Still stranded on the island today, McArdle gave the following account of the storm and its effect on the island when telephone service was restored this morning.)

By FRANK M'ARDLE

GRAND ISLE—For six hours this island prayed while hurricane Flossy unleashed 90-mile an hour winds that flooded the entire community under five to six feet of water.

At least one woman is dead, the Grand Isle hotel is destroyed, houses, boats and automobiles are strewn about the island, and many residents have lost all their belongings.

Most of the community refused to leave the island.

Instead they huddled in a Coast Guard station and silent

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Searcher Finds Mother Died In Hurricane

A 24-year-old Mississippian arrived here today in search of his mother and learned that she had drowned in a submerged automobile off Hwy. 1 near Golden Meadow.

Carl Polk of Silver Creek, Miss., said that his mother, Mrs. Vera Daniels, 42, had left home Sunday with a relative and friend, bound for Grand Isle in search of her daughters and granddaughter.

State police said that one of the daughters, Peggy Mae Polk, 32, and the granddaughter, Dotie Sue Davis, 2, had been killed late Sunday in a car smash-up in Hwy. 11 near St. Joe.

Mrs. Daniels' companions

Stevenson Leads Demo Motorcade

Adlai E. Stevenson led a motorcade of Louisiana Democratic leaders through New Orleans today as he arrived for a whirlwind visit and a speech at City Hall.

Mrs. Earl K. Long, wife of the governor and national Democratic committeewoman, appeared with the Democratic presidential candidate as he greeted Canal St. crowds from an open convertible.

Also accompanying Stevenson in the lead car were Camille F. Gravel, Louisiana national committeeman; Mayor Chep Morrison, and US Congressman Hale Boggs.

Stevenson and his campaign party arrived at Moisant International Airport at 12:30 p. m. and proceeded immediately to City Hall, where the candidate spoke from a platform on the City Hall steps.

Leave for Miami

The Stevenson party was to

leave Moisant for Miami, Fla., at 2 p. m.

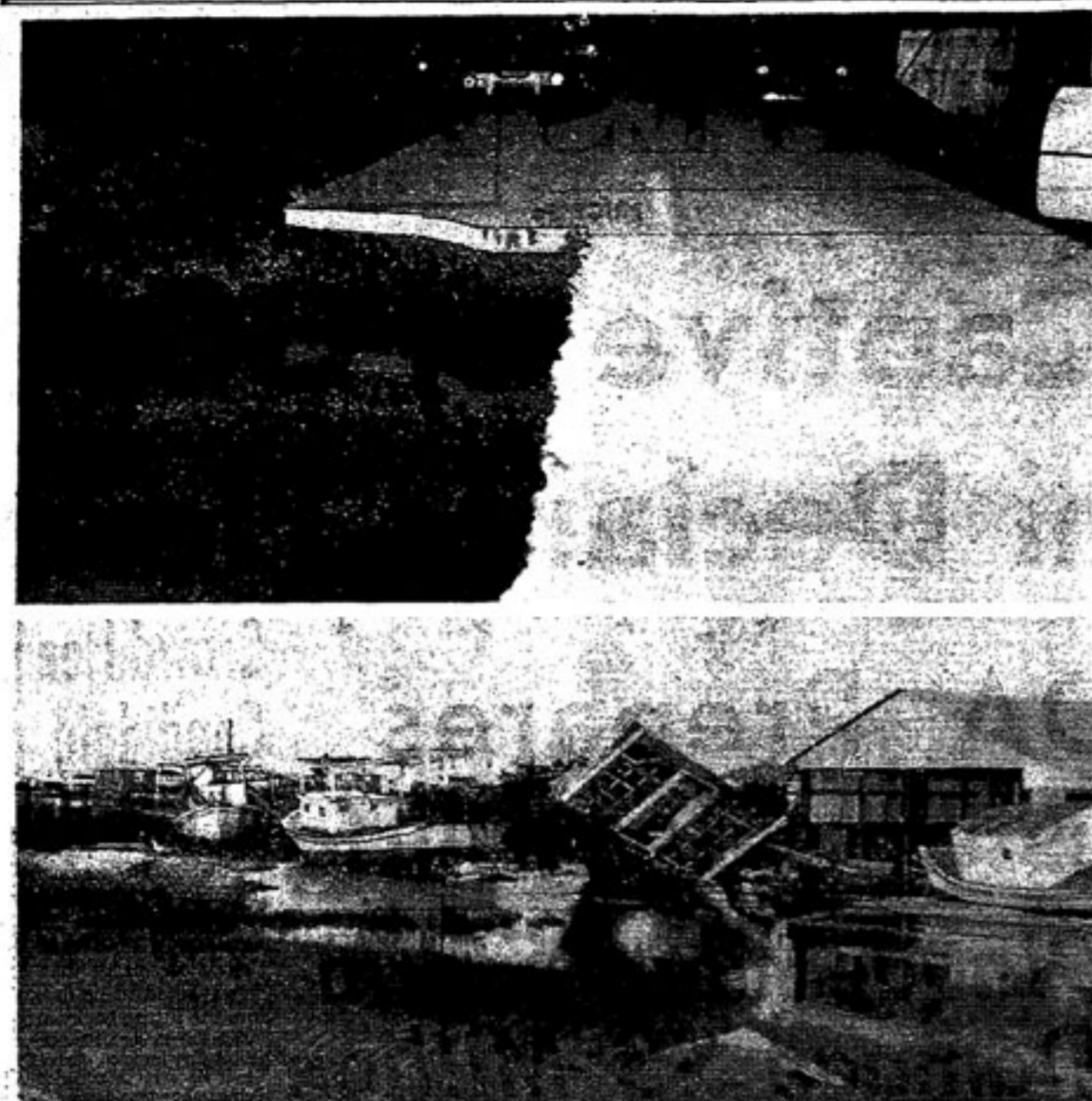
Greeting Stevenson with Mrs. Long and Gravel at the airport were Frank B. Ellis, former Democratic national committeeman, and US Rep. James H. Morrison from the Sixth Congressional District.

Among those accompanying Stevenson to New Orleans were Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ives, the candidate's brother-in-law and sister; his executive secretary, William Blair; Clayton Fritchey, press secretary and former New Orleansian;

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HERE ARE TWO views of Grand Isle after passage of hurricane Flossy. At top is a washed-out section of the highway near the entrance to the

island, and at bottom some of the boats strewn along the road. The rest of the island still was isolated this morning.

Find 15 Safe Aboard Vessel Lost in Storm

The motor vessel Carport, missing since Sunday when Hurricane Flossy moved through the Gulf of Mexico, was found in a battered condition today, according to a report from the Coast Guard.

Gamble—

not sought his aid in stamping out gambling. Sheriff Cocl had not replied this morning to an invitation of Dr. Hunter to attend a citizens rally against gambling scheduled for 8 p. m. Thursday at Metairie Junior High school.

SMALL TALK



YOUR NAME

THIBAUT A BYPRODUCT of the constant raiding which tribes did upon one another a 1000 years or more ago was the exchange of personal names.

Mayor Gives Support to Stevenson

Mayor Chop Morrison today formally endorsed the candidacy of Adlai E. Stevenson for president of the United States.

DAMNED BY WHAT YOU SAY?

A noted publisher in Chicago reports there is a simple technique of everyday conversation which can pay you real dividends in both social and business advancement and works like magic to give you added poise, self confidence and greater popularity.

Flossy's Power Ebbs in Georgia

BAINBRIDGE, Ga. (AP)—Hurricane Flossy lost much of its once awesome force today in South Georgia's pine tree country after causing nine deaths in a journey across the Gulf of Mexico to the resort coast of Northwest Florida.

Adlai—

claim—coming from a party that has always had to be dragged into the future backwards—that has stubbornly opposed almost every forward looking step for the benefit of all our people and therefore the nation during this century.

Advertisement for 'Hairicide' hair treatment. Includes a list of effects: 1. Hair Loss, 2. Dandruff, 3. Tight Scalp, 4. Itchy Scalp, 5. Dry or Oily Hair, 6. Worry, 7. BALDNESS. A man is shown pointing to a board with these effects listed.

Barbers— haircuts from \$1 to \$1.25 approximately two years ago. Under union conditions, the shops in the area are open five days a week, Tuesday through Saturday, between 8 a. m. and 6 p. m.

Family—

were identified as Joseph McNeese and Sidney Fitzhugh. Polk said they were seeking her three daughters and the youngster who had gone to Grand Isle for a visit.

ELEANOR HITS TRAIL

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Adlai E. Stevenson aids announced today that Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will make a series of speeches in behalf of the Democratic presidential nominee during the remainder of the general election campaign.

GRAIN BUILDUPS

WASHINGTON (ENS)—The agriculture department said today that the buildup in stocks of cotton, wheat and rice is likely to be reversed in the 1956-57 marketing year but another increase is expected for feed grains.

Nixon—

able to finish a half-hour address before a Salt Lake City audience of 4000 last night. This morning, he said that speech was "probably the toughest" of some 5000 speeches he has made during his career.

HERE'S BAD NEWS FOR TAXPAYERS

LOS ANGELES (AP)—High taxes will be needed for a long time, says an assistant secretary of the U.S. treasury.

Advertisement for the VISCOUNT airplane. Features the text 'FLY... the VISCOUNT World's First Turbo-Prop (jet-prop) Airliner ONE-STOP 4 HRS. 40 MIN. NEW YORK'. Includes a list of cities served: ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MOBILE, WASHINGTON, PHILADELPHIA, PITTSBURGH, CLEVELAND, DETROIT. Capital Airlines logo is also present.

Advertisement for LIFE insurance. Features the text 'LOOK FOR YOUR LETTER FROM LIFE' and 'Coming tomorrow'. Includes a large graphic of a hand holding a letter and a list of benefits.

Advertisement for Johnsons Hair & Scalp Clinic. Includes the text 'Home Treatment for Out-of-Town Clients' and '819 RICHARDS BLDG. MA 3071'.

